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Docket Number F-418  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING AND REDUCING THE AMOUNT OF RETURN  
TO SENDER MAILPIECES**

Enclosed are:

24 pages comprising the specification, claims, and abstract.

10 sheets of drawings.

A Declaration and Power of Attorney.

✓ A Recordation of Assignment Request and an Assignment of the invention to Pitney Bowes  
Incorporated, 1 Elmcroft Road, Stamford, Connecticut 06926-0700.

Certificate of Express Mail.

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Total Claims	6	- 20 =	0	X	\$18.00	=	\$ 0.00
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In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.10, I hereby certify that the attached Patent Application including 24 pages and (10) ten sheets of drawings; Transmittal Letter [original + 1]; Return Receipt Postcard; Declaration and Power of Attorney; Recordation of Assignment and Assignment [original + 1] were deposited with the U.S. Postal Service for delivery by Express Mail on December 7, 2001. The number of the Express Mail mailing label is EF194355780US.

Respectfully submitted,



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